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**DA CRUZ, OPERATION SAFE STREETS TO HOLD FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM
TO DISCUSS CRIME ISSUES IN THE AREA**

BROCKTON – Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz will hold the first community forum Thursday, June 25th as part of Operation Safe Streets, a multi-agency task force set up to target gun, drug and violent crime in the city of Brockton and surrounding areas.

On June 4th, DA Cruz held the first meeting of Operation Safe Streets, an initiative aimed at implementing innovative ways to fight crime and helping to improve data sharing and community training. The group is comprised of representatives from the following: State Police assigned to the District Attorney's Office, State Police Gang Unit, State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section, State Police Community Action Team, Brockton Police, the US Attorney's Office, Homeland Security, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

As part of announcing Operation Safe Streets, DA Cruz vowed to reconvene community meetings with law enforcement for the public to participate in and voice their issues.

"The lines of communication are open between law enforcement and area residents," DA Cruz said. "Members of the community are invited to bring their public safety concerns to the table and they will be heard."

WHO: Plymouth County DA Timothy J. Cruz and members of Operation Safe Streets

WHAT: Community Forum Open to the Public

WHEN: Thursday, June 25th 7:00-8:00 pm

WHERE: DA Cruz's Office, 32 Belmont Street in Brockton

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